make any distinction in the availability of benefits to various categories of farmers including small and marginal farmers in all the states including in Andhra Pradesh. However some of the scheme/ components whereunder benefits flow to small and marginal farmers include the following:—

(1) Subsidy @ 90 per cent of the cost subject of a ceiling of Rs. 25000 per hectare for installation of sprinkler irrigation system and drip irrigation system under various crop oriented production programmes.

(2) Assistance to the extent of 50 per cent of the cost of the improved farm implements or Rs. 1500 per equipment which ever is less under the Oilseed Production Programme.

(3) Subsidy of 50 per cent on premium under the Rashtriya Krishi Bima Yojana.

Since, the benefits under the schemes flow to the farmers both in a direct and indirect manner, it is not possible to quantify them separately or assess the performance of individual State.

Missing Employees

2673. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per existing rules, any person missing for more than 7 years is assumed to be dead;

(b) if so, the details of employees of Department of Atomic Energy reported missing from 1992 in Madhya Pradesh and action taken/proposed to be taken against the officials for not issuing final investigation report in this regard;

(c) by when the final reports are likely to be issued so that the dues may be settled?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Two employees of Atomic Minerals Directorate for Exploration and Research (AMD), a constituent unit of Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) are reported missing from 1992 in Madhya Pradesh. The action taken in the matter are as under:

(1) One employee is reported missing since 26.02.1992. The Railway Police, Bhilai, Madhya Pradesh, who are investigating the case have indicated in their interim report dated 15.06.1999 that the whereabouts of the missing person are not known and further investigations are going on.

(2) Another employee is reported missing from 30.12.1992. All dues except gratuity and pension have been settled in this case. Application forms for payment of gratuity and family pension are yet to be submitted by the family of the missing person.

(c) The final report is to be given by the Police Station concerned. In the first case, it will be possible to settle the dues on receipt of a final report from the Police Station. In the other case, family pension/gratuity can be sanctioned on receipt of duly completed application forms from the dependent family member concerned.

Atomic Power Plants in Ninth Plan

2674. SHRI VED PRAKASH P. GOYAL:
SHRI ANANTA SETHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to set up Atomic Power Plants during Ninth Plan;

(b) whether there is also a proposal for the expansion of some of the existing Atomic Power Plants in the above plan period;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken thereon?